COUNTY OF YORK MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 25, 2005 (BOS Mtg. 3/15/05)

TO: York County Board of Supervisors

FROM: James O. McReynolds, County Administrator

SUBJECT: Endorsement of Fair Housing Principles

On August 6, 1981, the York Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution R81-258 establishing a York County Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity Program. That action endorsed the protected classes set out in state laws, which at that time assured equal opportunities for all citizens regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, or sex. On March 2, 1989, the General Assembly approved amendments to add the categories of elderliness, familial status or handicap.

Since the program's inception, it has been implemented by the Division of Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization. It is designed to educate citizens and to promote voluntary compliance by the local housing industry with the practices and principles of equal housing opportunity. It has been customary for the Board to periodically reaffirm this endorsement. The month of April, which is National Fair Housing Month, is the preferred time to do so.

Recommendation

It is my recommendation that Resolution R05-43 reaffirming the commitment of the York Board of Supervisors to the principles of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity be adopted.

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Attachments:

Proposed Resolution R05-43